

Noted by DCI
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Bush

SUBJECT : Talk with Mike Duval

1. As agreed, I talked to Mike this afternoon, using the memo I gave you earlier. (Attached).

--He agreed with the first two points.

--He said that, as the draft now reads, the national/tactical question remains under the FIC. I saw no need to discuss it further at this point.

--The NIO box will be taken off the chart.

--As to membership on the NIB, the present plan is to vest all the non-FIC responsibilities directly in the DCI, and leave to him the decisions on how to carry them out. There will therefore be no mention of the NIB. This is great, if it holds.

--I made your pitch on the DCI as Congressional spokesman. He agrees that you should be, but it isn't clear yet where this will be stated.

--In accordance with your notes, I did not raise the final two points.

2. Mike also said:

--OMB is still talking about "observers" on FIC. I think we should resist this in favor of full OMB participation on resource issues only.

- The President wants to talk to Rumsfeld and the JCS again before the package is final.
- It probably won't be possible to complete staffing of the Executive order until week after next.



Richard Lehman

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Attachment
As Stated

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Bush

Hank and I have discussed the things you told us last night. We agree that, with your permission, I should make a few suggestions to Duval today.

The division of functions between the FIC and DCI/NIB was a good deal cleaner before the changes yesterday. We think we should:

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- Urge ☐ in general to make the language on which group does what as specific as possible. Yes ☒. No ☐.
 - Urge that the language otherwise be as general as possible, within the President's guidelines, to allow you maximum freedom of action. Yes ☒. No ☐.
 - Suggest that "guidance on the relationship between national and tactical" remain under FIC. (Unworkable as a line responsibility of the DCI alone). Yes ☐. No ☐. ? *pls. discuss*
 - Suggest he eliminate the box showing NIO's. You have already indicated a decision to restudy their functions and the changes would make this essential. Leaving it off leaves you free to retain them or not as you wish. If the box shows, you will be locked in. Yes ☒. No ☐.
 - Suggest he show the FBI only as one of the minor members of the NIB. This is cosmetic. Showing FBI on the same level with State and Defense would give the wrong impression to the public and cause an unnecessary uproar. The FBI should be a minor and large passive member, as it now is of USIB. FBI has had USIB membership in the past for general policy purposes only; it is not a participant in national production. Yes ☒. No ☐.

--Does he really mean to include Council of Economic Advisers (exclusively a consumer) on the NIB? We think it should not be. Yes _____. No _____.

they intend to have CEA on econ. intell requirements sub comm.

--Suggest he show NSA as a member of NIB. "Defense" covers it, but NSA would be a lot happier if its existence were recognized, and we think it should be, too. Yes ☒ _____. No _____.

--In general, [] might consider keeping the membership of NIB small and flexible, especially with the functions now transferred from FIC. (CIA, DIA, NSA, INR, Treas. as core members, the others ad hoc). Yes _____. No _____.


--Suggest there be a specific designation, at least in the Executive Order, of the DCI as the primary Community spokesman on intelligence before the Congress. (I think this is generally agreed). Yes ☒ _____. No _____.

strong!

--We have given thought to proposition of insisting that the General Defense Intelligence Program (GDIP) be included among those which will come under the purview of the FIC. On balance, we do not recommend that we press for any part of the GDIP to come under FIC purview at this time. Virtually all of the GDIP is departmentally oriented within the DoD and to ask for its inclusion would guarantee a bureaucratic fight of major dimension. The IC Staff will be in a position to advise you as Chairman of the FIC to take special looks at one or more parts of the GDIP should circumstances require it. Yes _____. No _____.

Discuss

--One very important function of the DCI and his staff is not mentioned explicitly under either the Foreign Intelligence Committee or the National Intelligence Production Board. This function is performance evaluation. It is probably our most difficult task and we are in the very early stages of trying to devise effective ways of accomplishing it. Moreover, it is a function that does not break cleanly between the FIC and the NIB. On balance, we recommend that it not be mentioned. It is implicit in your job as DCI, and it is up to your staffs, working under your guidance, to develop the means to get the job done well. Yes X. No ____.


Richard Lehman

*The FIC
will change recent
evaluation to be
part of its review
in order to better
have policy guidelines etc.*

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Membership of FIC

Core Group

DCI, Dep Sec Def, Dep Asst.

Resource issues

DCI, Dep Sec Def, Dep Asst, OMB

Program reviews

DCI, Dep Sec Def, Dep Asst, D/NRO, D/NSA, DDCI/A

Policy issues

DCI, Dep Sec Def, Dep Asst, Dep Sec State

Requirements and collection guidance

DCI, Dep Sec Def, Dep Asst, Dep Sec State, DDCI/A,
JCS, Treasury

National/Tactical problems

DCI, Dep Sec Def, Dep Asst, JCS, D/DIA, D/NRO,
D/NSA